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DMR Media, Inc.

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#### BEFORE THE

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### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of ) RM-8127

Amendment of Section 73.202(b) ) of the Commission's Rules )
Table of Allotments )
FM Broadcast Stations )
(Colfax, Illinois)

To: Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division Mass Media Bureau

## REPLY COMMENTS TO RULEMAKING RM-8127

DMR Media, Inc. (DMR) hereby requests the Commission consider an alternative to the proposed assignment of channel 299A, Colfax, Illinois:

<u>City</u> <u>Present</u> <u>Proposed</u>
Fairbury, Illinois ----- 299A

As demonstrated by the attached Engineering Report, Channel 299A can be allotted to Colfax or Fairbury, Illinois, but not both. The Class A channel at Fairbury, Illinois would provide a fully spaced channel and would provide the required 3.16 mv/m signal over the entire City of Fairbury, Illinois - (coordinates of 40-44-42, 88-30-42 were used at Fairbury, Illinois.).

Amending the Table of Allotments to include Channel 299A at Fairbury, Illinois would not require any change to an existing station or existing allocation.

DMR believes that the allocation of this new channel at Fairbury, Illinois would be of better service to the public by bringing the first service to a town of significance. The population of Fairbury is 3,643 while the population of Colfax is 854 (Reference: 1990 census).

Fairbury is located in Livingston County (population 39,301 Reference: 1990 census), a Non-Metro County. The County has only one other existing fulltime FM station (Pontiac, Illinois). Colfax, by contrast, is a suburb of Bloomington-Normal, located in a Metro County, McLean, with in excess of five fulltime stations (WBNQ-FM, WJBC-AM, WESN-FM Bloomington, WIHN-FM Normal, and WRXZ-FM LeRoy).

Fairbury has a vibrant retail and business district, a Chamber of Commercie with over 110 members and potentially 200 - no Chamber of Commerce could be found in Colfax.

Fairbury has many clubs and service organizations i.e., Rotary, Boys and Girls Club, Lions, Odd Fellows, Masons, etc.; and more than twelve churches.

Fairbury has an aldermanic form of government with a Mayor and 8 Aldermen and a weekly newspaper. (Fairbury background supplied by the City Clerk and the Chamber of Commerce.)

For the foregoing reasons, DMR believes the allocation of Channel 299A would best serve the public interest if it were alloted to Fairbury, Illinois and not Colfax, Illinois. If the Commission allocates this channel to Fairbury, Illinois, the petitioner intends to file an application to build and operate the facility.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Root President

DMR Media, Inc.

I certify that I, Diane Root, have directly supervised the preparation of all information contained in this Reply Comment, and that all the facts stated herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Diane Root

President

DMR Media, Inc.

## ENGINEERING REPORT

Supporting

Reply Comments to

Rulemaking RM-8127

DMR Media, Inc. proposal to Assign FM Channel 299A

to

Fairbury, Illinois

Ву

Larry W. Nelson Engineer January 1993

## ENGINEERING STATEMENT

The following FM Spacing Study (Page 1 & 2) demonstrates that using the referenced coordinates for the City of Fairbury, Illinois, 40-44-42, 88-30-42, FM Channel 299A can be allocated to Fairbury and meet all FCC Spacing requirements while placing a 3.16 mv/m contour across the entire City of Fairbury.

# FM Spacing study

Title: FAIRBURY, IL Channel 299A (107.7 MHz) Database: DW 01/29/93	Latitude: 40-44-42 Longitude: 88-30-42 Safety zone: 30 km
Call Auth Licensee name City of License St FCC File no.	Chan ERP-kW Latitude Br-to Dist. Req. Freq EAH-m Longitude -from (km) (km)
WLBH-FM LIC MATTOON BROADCASTING COM	
WNIB LIC NORTHERN ILLINOIS BCG CO CHICAGO IL BLH-840515CP	246B 8.40DA 41-53-08 30.1 147.0 15 97.1 363 87-37-15 210.7 132.0 CLEAR
	296A 3 40-06-34 161.6 74.38 31 107.1 72 88-14-06 341.8 43.38 CLEAR
MAROA IL BPH-920806ME	297A 6DA 40-03-04 206.6 86.12 31 107.3 100 88-57-53 26.3 55.12 CLEAR 08/18/92, tendered per 15356 dated 09/24
WGCI-FM LIC PACIFIC AND SOUTHERN CO CHICAGO IL BLH-810324AB Affiliated with WGCI(AM)	
PRM PROPOSED RULE MAKING COLFAX IL DOC-92-290 PRM adopted 11/24/92, released 12/14/9	299A 40-33-54 203.6 21.81 115 107.7 88-36-54 23.5 -93.2 SHORT
WMRS LIC GERALD NORMAN QUINN MONTICELLO IN BLH-890323KB Call Granted 10/19/88	107.7 40 86-48-17 270.3 29.17 CLEAR
PRM PROPOSED RULE MAKING URBANA IL DOC-86-252	300A 40-06-42 161.9 73.99 72 107.9 88-14-26 342.0 1.993 CLOSI
WYSY-FM LIC MIDWEST BCG OF CHICAGO, AURORA IL BLH-910827KB License Granted 11/03/92 per FCC relea /88; DA: Jampro JHPC-2R RFR @ 0 deg; A	300B 21.2DA 41-56-01 15.3 137.0 113 107.9 232 88-04-23 195.6 24.02 CLEAR ase #21515 dated 11/17/92; Was WAUR 03/01 Affiliated with WBIG(AM)

## FM Spacing study

Title: FAIRBURY, IL	Latitude: 40-44-42
Channel 299A (107.7 MHz)	Longitude: 88-30-42
Database: FCC 12/29/92	Safety zone: 30 km
Call Auth Licensee name City of License St FCC File no.	Chan ERP-kW Latitude Br-to Dist. Req. Freq EAH-m Longitude from (km) (km)
ALLOC	245B 39-31-02 174.9 136.9 15
Mattoon IL	96.9 88-22-13 355.0 121.9 CLEAR
PRM DEL Livington County Broadca	246A 40-52-31 332.1 16.39 10
Pontiac IL	97.1 88-36-11 152.0 6.394 CLOSE
WPGU LIC The Illini Publishing Co	296A 3 40-06-34 161.6 74.38 31
Urbana IL BLH-800317AL	107.1 72 88-14-06 341.8 43.38 CLEAR
NEW APC The Cromwell Group, Inc. Maroa IL BPH-920806ME Cut-off 12/07/92; DA: oddball ODD92080	107.3 100 88-57-53 26.3 55.12 CLEAR
WGCI-FM LIC Pacific & Southern Compa Chicago IL BLH-810324AB	
PRM ADD Livingston County Broadc Colfax IL	299A 40-33-54 203.6 21.81 115 107.7 88-36-54 23.5 -93.2 SHORT
WMRS LIC Kevin Robert Page	299A 4.40 40-45-03 89.2 144.2 115
Monticello IN BMLH-900503K	7 107.7 40 86-48-17 270.3 29.17 CLEAR
ALLOC	300B 41-46-10 11.0 115.9 113
Aurora IL	107.9 88-14-44 191.1 2.939 CLOSE
WYSY-FM LIC Midwest Broadcasting of Aurora , IL BLH-830503AL	
WYSY-FM LIC Midwest Broadcasting of Aurora IL BLH-910827KB DA: oddball ODD900710IC @ 0 deg	300B 21DA 41-56-01 15.3 137.0 113 107.9 232 88-04-23 195.6 24.02 CLEAR

>> End of channel 299A study <<

I, Larry Nelson, certify that I have either prepared or directly supervised the preparation of all technical information contained in this engineering exhibit, and that all the facts stated herein are true to the best of my knowledge.

LARRY W. NELSON, Engineer

Sworn to before me this

day of

1993.

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PAMELA A. NELSON
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 8/31/94

I, Pamela A. Nelson, hereby certify that on January 31, 1993, I deposited a copy of the preceeding Reply Comments to RM-8127 in the United States mail with sufficient postage to:

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Date: January 31, 1993 Lamela a. Nelson